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APPLICATION

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Louisiana Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

RE: 10,700' Zone, Reservoir A
11,900' Zone, Reservoir A
South Grand Chenier Field
Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **BALLARD EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC.** for the calling of a public hearing, after thirty (30) days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters in the **10,700' Zone, Reservoir A** and **11,900' Zone, Reservoir A**, in the South Grand Chenier Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, to-wit:

1. For each of the above-referenced reservoirs, to establish rules and regulations and create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate, such units to be designated respectively 10700 RA SUA and 11900 RA SUA;
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed units, with

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each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;

3. To designate a unit well for each of the proposed units;
4. To designate Ballard Exploration Company, Inc. as the unit operator for the proposed units;
5. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify these reservoirs, by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation; and
6. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The 10,700' Zone, Reservoir A, in the South Grand Chenier Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 10,004 feet and 11,230 feet (electric log measurements) in the Stone Oil Corporation - D. Y. Doland No. 1 Well, located in Section 7, Township 15 South, Range 5 West, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

The 11,900' Zone, Reservoir A, in the South Grand Chenier Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 11,230 feet and 12,316 feet (electric log measurements) in the Stone Oil Corporation - D. Y. Doland No. 1 Well, located in Section 7, Township 15 South, Range 5 West, Cameron Parish, Louisiana

The pre-application conference tentatively scheduled for October 16, 2002 at 10:30 a.m., **WILL NOT BE HELD**, as it was not requested within the delays provided for by the Rules of Procedure; therefore, no opposition to this Application at the hearing is anticipated.

Pertinent data relating to the proposed application can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, by contacting W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508 , (337)232-5004.

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof plats outlining the proposed units and a list of the names and addresses of the interested parties to whom this unitization

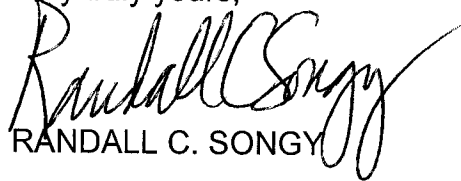
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proposal is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy of it. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed herein is our check in the amount of \$1,400.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation in payment of the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



RANDALL C. SONGY

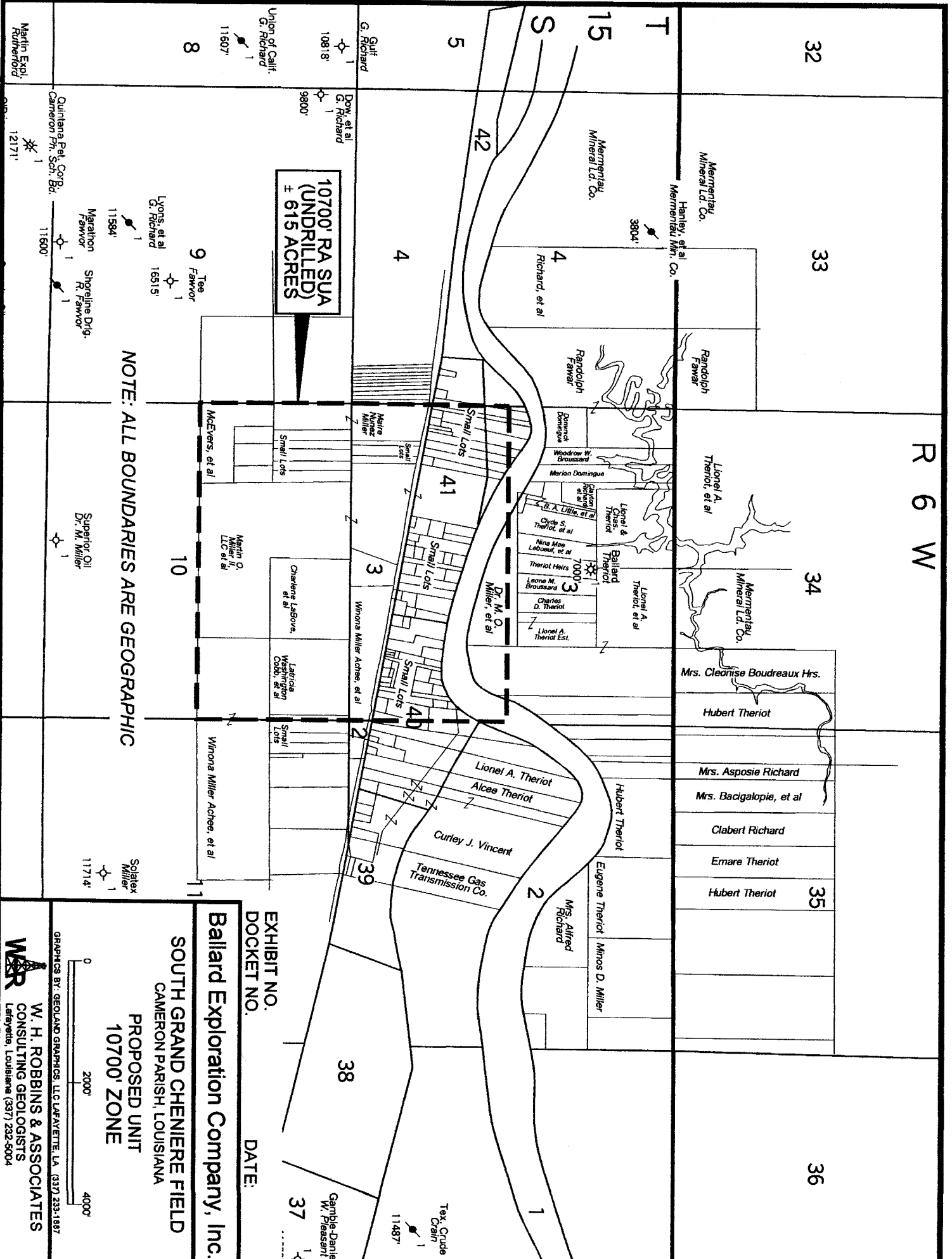
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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Interested Parties and
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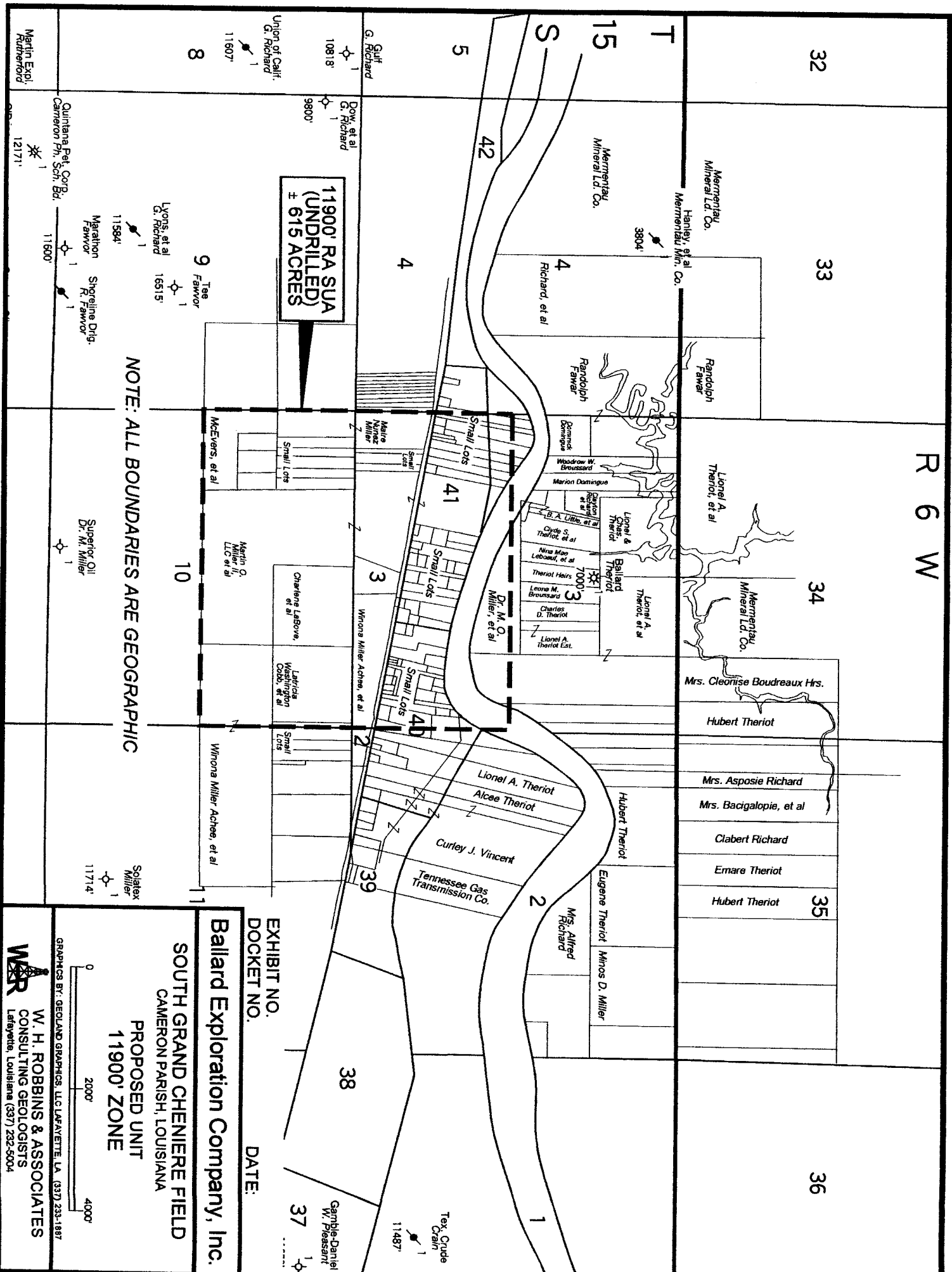
PROPOSED UNIT
10700' ZONE

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